

## STILLWATER COUNTY OFFICE OF SHERIFF/CORONER

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Stillwater County is currently experiencing unprecedented flooding along the Stillwater and Yellowstone Rivers and Rosebud Creek. Over the past 24 hours all Stillwater County Emergency Services have used a multi hazard approach to provide notifications, evacuations, rescue services, emergency care, flood monitoring, and initial damage assessments.

## Road Closures by Stillwater Road & Bridge

- ➤ Lovers Ln at Primary 78
- West Rosebud to Mystic Lake
- Fiddler Creek Rd to Hwy 419
- > Nye Rd at Carters Camp going South
- S. Stillwater River Road is open from Nye to Beehive. Closed at Beehive
- ➤ Stillwater River Road Bridge washed out at Riddle's Cliff
- > Spring Creek Road to North Stillwater River Road
- ➤ Johnson Ln Road towards North Stillwater River
- ➤ Miller Rd at North Stillwater River Rd
- > E Jack Stone Rd to North Stillwater River Rd
- Countryman Creek Rd at Fireman's Point

## **State Roads/Bridges Closed**

- Countryman Creek/Fireman's Point Bridge over the Stillwater River
- ➤ Miller Bridge on N Stillwater River
- > Hwy 420 Going West (Emergency Traffic Only)
- ➤ Hwy 419 Going West (Bridge Completely Gone)
- > Ingersoll Rd flooding off Hwy 78 not passable
- ➤ Nye Rd to the Sibanye/Stillwater Mine going south (Road is Gone)
- > Stillwater River Rd flooding over the Beehive Bridge, Bridge out at Riddle's Cliff.

While the Stillwater River is receding, the Yellowstone River is expected to crest in the next four to six hours. Due to the current condition of flood waters in the County, Stillwater County has issued a Disaster Declaration. Flooding conditions post significant safety hazards especially to recreationists and the public, and these conditions can arise and evolve without warning. During this time, please contact Disaster and Emergency Services at 406-322-8015 for any questions in regards to flooding along the Stillwater and Yellowstone Rivers. The Emergency Operations Center will be staffed during daylight hours.

Sand bags are available at the Road and Bridge Department on Hwy 10 West. We are accepting donations at the Stillwater Pavilion (Little Metra) 328 E 5<sup>th</sup> in Columbus.

The next 48 hours will be spent providing rescues as needed and advising if evacuations are necessary. We are coordinating with all available county and state agencies to provide services and maintain Stillwater Counties continuity of government and critical infrastructure.

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